

**AMAX** Phosphate, Inc.

A SUBSIDIARY OF AMAX INC.

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May 26, 1982

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Mr. Willard Hanks  
Bureau of Air Quality Management  
Florida Department of Environmental Regulation  
Twin Towers Office Building  
2600 Blair Stone Road  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Hanks:

As agreed in our telephone conversation of May 20, 1982, I am responding to your questions concerning a construction permit application recently submitted for the AMAX Plant City Feed Preparation Wet Scrubber #2.

The first question involved the allowable emissions level for the new wet scrubber, as well as the allowable emissions for the existing wet scrubber (AMAX Plant City Feed Preparation Wet Scrubber #1), which is being operated under FDER permit number A029-6315. The combined emissions of the existing wet scrubber and the new wet scrubber will not exceed the current allowable emissions for the wet scrubber #1 or 34.57 lbs./hour particulate. The allowable particulate emissions for the new wet scrubber should be set at 6.8 lbs./hour. This emissions rate, based on 7,280 hours per year, will not exceed the PSD significance level for particulate and will allow for operational variations. Historically, most pollution abatement devices fluctuate in their operational efficiencies due to process problems, flow restrictions, and materials buildup. Even the most diligent maintenance program cannot assure that a pollution collection device will meet the optimum manufacturer's specifications at all times. Therefore, it is realistic to establish a permitted emission rate with enough margin to allow for the variations that occur in actual production situations. The allowable emissions rate of 6.8 lbs./hour was chosen for this unit to provide this needed operational margin.

Letter to Mr. Willard Hanks  
May 26, 1982  
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When the operating permit application for the Feed Preparation Wet Scrubber #2 is submitted to your department, the permitted allowable particulate emissions from Feed Preparation Wet Scrubber #1 (A029-6315) will be reduced from the present 34.57 lbs./hour to 27.57 lbs./hour or a reduction of 7 lbs./hour. Please note that this particulate emissions allocation will result in a net decrease in the allowable emissions from the facility.

The second question you asked included the possible emission of ozone and volatile organic compounds. The only combustion source in the Feed Preparation Facility is the feed dryer which will be vented through the existing wet scrubber #1. There are no combustion sources vented through the new wet scrubber #2 and there are no organic solvents used in the feed preparation process. Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that there will be no ozone or volatile emissions from the feed preparation wet scrubber #2.

The third question involved operational data for the new venturi scrubber. Specifically, you requested the water header pressure range, the pressure drop range across the venturi, and the venturi water volume range. This information is as follows:

Pressure Drop Across the Venturi:	13 - 17" WG
Water Header Pressure Range:	110 - 130 PSIG
Water Volume to the Venturi:	150 - 190 GPM

If after reviewing this material, you find you have questions or need additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Fred G. Mullins  
Regulatory Compliance Manager

FGM/rit

cc: Jack Lewis  
Dan Williams  
Ivan Choronenko  
John Cladakis  
George Townsend

AMAX INC. --PLANT CITY

0 OPTIONS 1=YES USE THE OPTION 0=NO DO NOT USE THE OPTION

LUPT(1) = 0 (COMPUTE GRADUAL PLUME RISE)      AMBIENT AIR TEMP = 293.00(DEG\* $K$ )  
 LUPT(2) = 0 (COMPUTE STACK DOWNWASH)      WIND EXPONENTS = .10 .15 .20 .25 .30 .30  
 LUPT(3) = 0 (COMPUTE INITIAL PLUME SIZE)      ANEMOMETER HI = 7.00 (METERS)  
 IF = 1 USE PASQUILL'S RECOMMENDATION

0 SOURCE PARAMETERS

EMISSION RATE = .68(G/SEC)      PHYSICAL STACK HEIGHT = 30.48(METERS)  
 STACK TEMP = 316.00(DEG\* $K$ )      STACK EXIT VELOCITY = 15.09(M/SEC)  
 STACK DIAM = .91(METERS)      VOLUME FLOW = 9.81(CU M/SEC)  
 MIXING HI = 1500.0(METERS)      RECEPTOR HI = 0.00(METERS)

ANALYSIS OF CONCENTRATION AS A FUNCTION OF STABILITY AND WIND SPEED

STABILITY	WIND SPEED (M/SEC)	MAX CONC (G/CU M)	DIST OF MAX (KM)	PLUME RISE (M)	*****EXTRAPOLATED WINDS*****			
					WIND SPEED (M/SEC)	MAX CONC (G/CU M)	DIST OF MAX (KM)	PLUME RISE (M)
1	.50	2.0954E-05	.463	112.9	.58	2.1211E-05	.436	101.6
1	.80	2.1468E-05	.372	82.0	.93	2.1457E-05	.349	74.9
1	1.00	2.1380E-05	.338	71.7	1.16	2.1094E-05	.319	66.0
1	1.50	2.0250E-05	.285	57.9	1.74	1.9597E-05	.270	54.2
1	2.00	1.8832E-05	.258	51.1	2.32	1.7959E-05	.240	48.3
1	2.50	1.7481E-05	.235	47.0	2.90	1.6481E-05	.225	44.7
1	3.00	1.6230E-05	.222	44.2	3.48	1.5144E-05	.214	42.3

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2	.50	1.6807E-05	.784	112.9	.62	1.7902E-05	.680	96.6
2	.80	1.8790E-05	.586	82.0	1.00	1.9189E-05	.519	71.8
2	1.00	1.9192E-05	.518	71.7	1.25	1.9178E-05	.464	63.5
2	1.50	1.8845E-05	.427	57.9	1.87	1.8157E-05	.379	52.5
2	2.00	1.7902E-05	.368	51.1	2.49	1.6841E-05	.338	47.0
2	2.50	1.6828E-05	.338	47.0	3.12	1.5495E-05	.314	43.7
2	3.00	1.5742E-05	.318	44.2	3.74	1.4260E-05	.298	41.5
2	4.00	1.3787E-05	.293	40.8	4.99	1.2201E-05	.278	38.7
2	5.00	1.2384E-05	.278	38.7	6.23	1.0613E-05	.266	37.1

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3	2.00	1.8073E-05	.562	51.1	2.68	1.6729E-05	.499	45.8
3	2.50	1.7107E-05	.513	47.0	3.36	1.5575E-05	.463	42.8
3	3.00	1.6082E-05	.480	44.2	4.03	1.4133E-05	.439	40.7
3	4.00	1.4179E-05	.440	40.8	5.37	1.2070E-05	.409	38.2
3	5.00	1.2583E-05	.415	38.7	6.71	1.0483E-05	.391	36.6
3	7.00	1.0191E-05	.388	36.4	9.39	8.2615E-06	.370	34.9
3	10.00	7.8811E-06	.367	34.6	13.42	6.2461E-06	.355	33.5
3	12.00	6.8366E-06	.359	33.9	16.11	5.3678E-06	.349	33.0
3	15.00	5.6980E-06	.351	33.2	20.13	4.4306E-06	.343	32.5

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4	.50	8.2040E-06	3.504	112.9	.72	1.0563E-05	2.402	87.5
4	.80	1.1162E-05	2.169	82.0	1.16	1.2963E-05	1.552	66.1
4	1.00	1.2337E-05	1.759	71.7	1.44	1.3655E-05	1.299	59.0
4	1.50	1.3735E-05	1.263	57.9	2.17	1.3911E-05	1.000	49.5
4	2.00	1.3968E-05	1.038	51.1	2.89	1.3021E-05	.946	44.7
4	2.50	1.3576E-05	1.000	47.0	3.61	1.1983E-05	.872	41.9
4	3.00	1.2860E-05	.932	44.2	4.33	1.1022E-05	.824	40.0
4	4.00	1.1453E-05	.844	40.8	5.78	9.4173E-06	.763	37.6
4	5.00	1.0230E-05	.791	38.7	7.22	8.1795E-06	.728	36.2
4	7.00	8.3504E-06	.732	36.4	10.11	6.4445E-06	.687	34.6
4	10.00	6.4983E-06	.689	34.6	14.45	4.8705E-06	.658	33.3
4	12.00	5.6512E-06	.672	33.9	17.33	4.1848E-06	.646	32.9

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4	15.00	4.7222E-06	.655	33.2	21.67	3.4033E-06	.634	32.4
4	20.00	3.7026E-06	.638	32.5	28.89	2.6728E-06	.623	31.9
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STABILITY	WIND SPEED	MAX CONC	DIST OF MAX	PLUME RISE	WIND SPEED	MAX CONC	DIST OF MAX	PLUME RISE
	(M/SEC)	(G/CU M)	(KM)	(M)	(M/SEC)	(G/CU M)	(KM)	(M)
5	2.00	6.6410E-06	2.511	61.3	3.11	5.1273E-06	2.215	57.1
5	2.50	5.8526E-06	2.354	59.1	3.89	4.4785E-06	2.087	55.2
5	3.00	5.2383E-06	2.237	57.4	4.66	3.9994E-06	2.000	53.7
5	4.00	4.4002E-06	2.071	54.9	6.22	3.3157E-06	1.958	51.6
5	5.00	3.8268E-06	2.000	53.2	7.77	2.8523E-06	1.867	50.1

0 *****EXTRAPOLATED WINDS*****								
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	(M/SEC)	(G/CU M)	(KM)	(M)	(M/SEC)	(G/CU M)	(KM)	(M)
6	2.00	5.7040E-06	4.543	56.1	3.11	4.4331E-06	3.951	52.6
6	2.50	5.0312E-06	4.227	54.2	3.89	3.8799E-06	3.698	51.0
6	3.00	4.5275E-06	3.994	52.8	4.66	3.4695E-06	3.510	49.8
6	4.00	3.8130E-06	3.667	50.8	6.22	2.8935E-06	3.246	48.0
6	5.00	3.3226E-06	3.443	49.3	7.77	2.5026E-06	3.065	46.7

- 0 (1) NO COMPUTATION WAS ATTEMPTED AS THE DISTANCE TO THE POINT OF MAXIMUM CONCENTRATION IS SO GREAT THAT THE SAME STABILITY IS NOT LIKELY TO PERSIST LONG ENOUGH FOR THE PLUME TO TRAVEL THIS FAR.
- 0 (2) THE PLUME IS OF SUFFICIENT HEIGHT THAT EXTREME CAUTION SHOULD BE USED IN INTERPRETING THIS COMPUTATION AS THIS STABILITY TYPE MAY NOT EXIST TO THIS HEIGHT. ALSO WIND SPEED VARIATIONS WITH HEIGHT MAY EXERT A DOMINATING INFLUENCE.
- 0 (3) NO COMPUTATION WAS ATTEMPTED FOR THIS HEIGHT AS THE POINT OF MAXIMUM CONCENTRATION IS GREATER THAN 100 KILOMETERS FROM THE SOURCE.
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Ammax, Inc. - Plant City

Feed Prep Plant / new demolition

Stack Parameters

Height - 100 feet 30.48 m

Gas flow rate - 21,000 ACFM

Water Content - 8.25%

Stack Diameter - 3.0 feet 0.91 m

Gas Exit Temperature - 110°F 316 K

Velocity - 49.5 feet per second 15.09 m/s

Emission -  $\frac{6.8}{5.4}$  pound per hour particulate matter  
0.68 g/s

What is maximum impact?

$$\left( \frac{6.8}{5.4} \right) 0.4 \cdot 21,45 = 10.8$$

μg/m<sup>3</sup>  
Invent  
Compton

To: Bill Thomas

From: Willard Hanks

Date: May 21, 1982

Subject: AMAX Phosphate, Inc. - Applicability

Ammax presently uses one scrubber to control the emissions from a dryer, mixer and pug mill at their feed preparation unit in Plant City. A conveyor in the feed preparation unit is uncontrolled.

The Company proposes to continue to control the emissions from the dryer with the existing scrubber but install a new scrubber to control the emissions from the existing mixer, pug mill and conveyor. The actual particulate matter emissions from the new scrubber will be less than 25 TPY.

The proposed project is not subject to pre-construction review under federal regulations, 40CFR 52.2, because the potential increase in emissions of all criteria pollutants resulting from the modification are less than the significant levels.

The project is subject to preconstruction review under provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 17-2, Florida Administration Code.

The project is in an area designated non-attainment for ozone, attainment for particulate matter but in the area of influence of the Hillsborough County particulate matter nonattainment area, and unclassified for sulfur dioxide.

As the new scrubber is not a source of VOC or sulfur dioxide, regulations of these pollutants are not applicable.

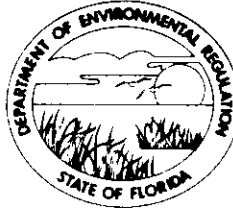
As the increase in particulate matter emissions is less than the significant level, the modification is not subject to PSD review under section 17-2.500(2)(d)4.

Based on BAQM modeling experience, the maximum particulate matter emissions from the new scrubber will not have a significant impact on the Hillsborough County particulate matter nonattainment area. Therefore, the modification is exempt from the RACT regulations, 17-2.650(2).

The conveyor being controlled by the new scrubber is a source of unconfined emissions of particulate matter and subject to 17-2.610(3). The scrubber and emissions provided by the Company are acceptable to the Department as Reasonable controls. Must install Reasonable control per regulation.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION**

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2600 BLAIR STONE ROAD  
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May 14, 1982

Mr. Fred G. Mullins  
Regulatory Compliance Manager  
AMAX Phosphate, Inc.  
402 South Kentucky Avenue, Suite 600  
Lakeland, Florida 33801

Dear Mr. Mullins:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your application for a new wet venturi scrubber to be located at the AMAX Plant City facility. Your receipt for the \$20.00 processing fee is attached. The permit processing number is AC 29-55785. Please refer to this number on future correspondence.

If we may be of further assistance, please feel free to call at (904)488-1344.

Sincerely,

Patty Adams  
Bureau of Air Quality Management

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Attachment

cc: Mr. J. J. Lewis



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LAQM

Mr. Dan Williams  
Air Permitting  
Southwest District  
Department of Environmental Regulation  
7601 Highway 301 North  
Tampa, Florida 33610

DER  
MAY 12 1982  
SOUTHWEST DISTRICT  
TAMPA

Dear Mr. Williams:

Please find attached a copy of a Construction Permit Application for a new wet venturi scrubber to be located at the AMAX Plant City Facility. This scrubber will serve the Plant City Feed Preparation Unit and will control the emissions from the feed mixer, pugmill, and vibrating pan conveyor. The emissions from the feed mixer, pugmill, and dryer are presently being vented through another wet venturi scrubber operating under FDER permit number AO29-6315. Upon completion of the new wet scrubber (Feed Preparation wet scrubber #2), only the dryer will be vented through the existing wet scrubber (Feed Preparation wet scrubber #1); and Operating Permit AO29-6315 will be modified to reflect these changes.

The additional 21,000 cfm of airflow provided by the new wet venturi scrubber should capture any unconfined emissions that would escape the present wet scrubber system.

This installation, along with the two new baghouse units already under construction, will complete the Plant City Feed Preparation unconfined emissions control project.

If you have any questions concerning these permit applications, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Fred G. Mullins  
Regulatory Compliance Manager

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Attachment

cc: (with attachment)  
Mr. Ivan Coroneko

(without attachment)  
Ms. Rhea Law  
Mr. J. J. Lewis  
Mr. G. Townsend

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

**ROUTING AND TRANSMITTAL SLIP**

ACTION NO.

ACTION DUE DATE

1. TO: (NAME, OFFICE, LOCATION)

*Chris Fancy*

INITIAL

DATE

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4.

*RE: AMAX Phosphates*

INITIAL

DATE

REMARKS:

*attached is another construction permit in their unconfined particulate reduction program.*

*Have the permit processing engineer call me if you need any history on the existing system.*

INFORMATION

REVIEW & RETURN

REVIEW & FILE

INITIAL & FORWARD

DISPOSITION

REVIEW & RESPOND

PREPARE RESPONSE

FOR MY SIGNATURE

FOR YOUR SIGNATURE

LET'S DISCUSS

SET UP MEETING

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INITIAL & FORWARD

DISTRIBUTE

CONCURRENCE

FOR PROCESSING

INITIAL & RETURN

FROM:

*Ray O'Neil*

DATE

*5-12-82*

PHONE

TO: Ed Palagyi  
FROM: Willard Hanks *wmh*  
DATE: April 16, 1982  
SUBJECT: Amax Phosphate, Inc.

During the test burn of COM fuel at Amax Phosphate, the emissions of particulate matter and sulfur dioxide were measured. The correspondence that was sent to you stated the two pollutants were measured simultaneously. EPA allows this simultaneous test procedure in Method 6, 40 CFR 60 Appendix A, but it is specifically prohibited by DER regulations (Chapter 17-2.700(6)(a)6.). Thus, the emission data collected during the test burn cannot be used for determination of compliance with Florida regulations.

If Amax wants to test for particulate matter and sulfur dioxide simultaneously for compliance verification with State regulations, they will have to obtain a waiver from DER Method 6 by the procedure described in Chapter 17-2.700(3), Exceptions and Approval of Alternate Procedures and Requirements. To obtain the waiver, Amax Phosphate would have to furnish data showing a correlation between the emission measured by the official and proposed test methods. I understand that the Company has some data that could be used for this study. If Amax makes a comparison of the two test methods, the Department should try to obtain a copy of the calculations and results.

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Test data sent to you by Amax listed sulfuric acid mist concentration (including SO<sub>3</sub>) as 0. The only reference method that measures SO<sub>3</sub> is the sulfuric acid plant test procedure, Method 8. It uses alcohol to trap SO<sub>3</sub>. If the alcohol is contaminated, it can also trap SO<sub>2</sub> and, for that reason, should only be used when SO<sub>3</sub> emissions are required. Environmental personnel at Amax told me alcohol was not used in the test they reported to you.

Amax should also be testing for NO<sub>x</sub> during the test burn as COM fuel may cause a significant emission increase (40 TPY) of this pollutant. Any modification that causes a significant emission increase of a criteria pollutant is subject to state and federal PSD regulations.

CC: Fred Mullins